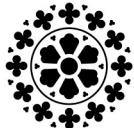


CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, VICTORIA, BC

Holy Eucharist

THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY, YEAR A

Sunday, January 18, 2026 9.15 a.m.



CHRIST CHURCH
CATHEDRAL
A CATHEDRAL FOR THE CITY



Welcome to the Cathedral Church of the Anglican Diocese of British Columbia. Here we respectfully acknowledge that we gather to worship on the ancestral lands of the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations, with whom we are in relationship to seek reconciliation.

As an Anglican centre for spirituality, learning, culture, heritage and community, this cathedral upholds a daily rhythm of worship in the heart of Victoria. From daily spoken and sung services to the weekly celebration of the Eucharist and Choral Evensong, we mark the important events of the Christian calendar and in the life of our diocese and the wider community.

Christ Church Cathedral is a fully inclusive community where all are invited to hear God's Word and partake of God's bread, regardless of upbringing or creed. Please join as fully as you wish in every action of our worship, including communion. This is God's house and all are welcome.

If you would like to sign up for our E-news, or would like more information about the Cathedral, please visit our website www.christchurchcathedral.bc.ca.

You can also use the QR code to make a donation, use our Welcome Card or to download the service leaflets and more.



Presider: The Reverend Adela Torchia
Musical Setting: Mass of St George

Gordon Light (b.1944)

The words to the hymns can be found in the blue hymnal "Common Praise". Copies of the hymnals can be found in the book racks in the pews. If you are unable to locate a copy, please ask the sides-people for assistance.

The Gathering of the Community

Land Acknowledgement & Welcome

The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

Hymn of Praise #385—Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness

Tune: Üttingen

Dominical Greeting

Presider The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Gloria in excelsis

remain standing as able

David Thorne

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est.

Glo-ry to God in the High- est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God,

Heav'n - ly King, Al-migh-ty God and Fa - ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we_

praise you for your glo - ry. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the

high - est. Lord, Je - susChrist, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther. Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us; You are
 sea-ted at the righthand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God,
 Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly one,
 You a - lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the most high, Je-sus Christ,
 with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the Glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.
 Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God, Glo - ry to God in the high - est.

Collect of the Day

Presider Let us hold this moment open to God's grace.

Almighty God,
 your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
 is the light of the world.
 May your people,
 illumined by your word and sacraments,
 shine with the radiance of his glory,
 that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
 to the ends of the earth;
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

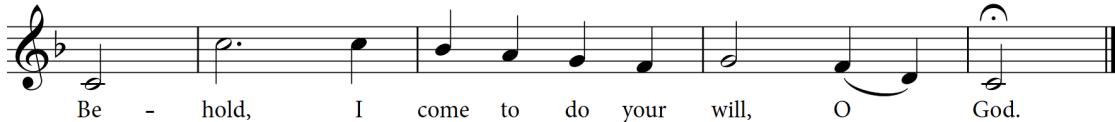
First Reading

Isaiah 49.1-7 / *all seated*

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Response to the Reading: Psalm 40.1-12

remain seated



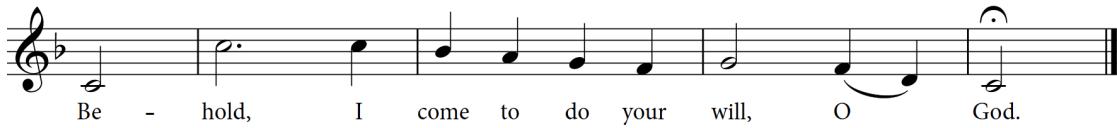
I waited patiently upon the Lord;
he stooped to me and heard my cry.
He lifted me out of the desolate pit,
out of the mire and clay;
he set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure. *Refrain*

He has put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God;
many shall see and stand in awe,
and put their trust in the Lord.
Happy are they who trust in the Lord!
they do not resort to evil spirits or turn to false gods. *Refrain*

Great things are they that you have done, O Lord my God!
how great your wonders and your plans for us!
there is none that can be compared with you.
Oh, that I could make them known and tell them!
but they are more than I can count. *Refrain*

In sacrifice and offering you take no pleasure
(you have given me ears to hear you);
Burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required,
and so I said, "Behold, I come. *Refrain*

"In the roll of the book it is written concerning me:
'I love to do your will, O my God;
your law is deep within my heart.'"
I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation;
behold, I did not restrain my lips, and that, O Lord, you know. *Refrain*



Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;
 I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;
 I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.
 You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me;
 let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe for ever. *Refrain*

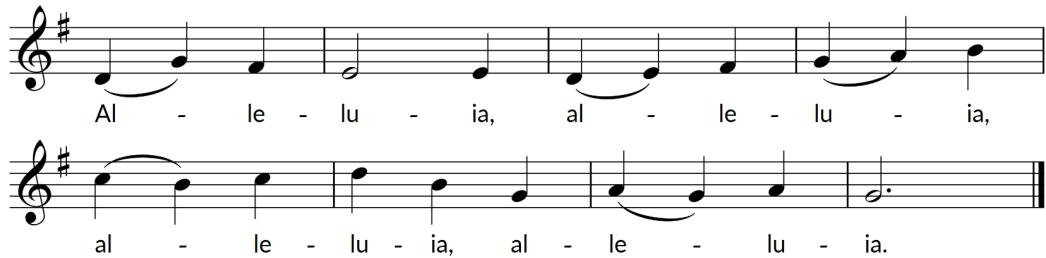
Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1.1-9

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

All stand and join in singing the Gospel Acclamation.



One The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.
 To all who receive him, he gave power to become children of God.

The Holy Gospel

Deacon The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Deacon Hear the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

John 1.29-42

Deacon The Gospel of Christ.
People Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

The Very Reverend Jonathan Thomas

Affirmation of Faith

all standing as able

Presider Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God.
All **I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

please stand, sit or kneel as preferred

Leader God of Light,
People **shine in your world.**

Exchange of the Peace

all standing as able

Presider Jesus said, "I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life."
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Please exchange the peace with your neighbours using a suitable gesture.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Hymn #157—Rise Up and Shine

Tune: Peter's Brook

A basket is passed to receive monetary gifts which will be offered along with bread and wine at the altar. Our easy to use Tap machines are available at the Quadra St. and Burdett Ave doors. Please use the QR code at the beginning of the leaflet if you would like to make an online donation. Thank you!

Prayer over the Gifts

Deacon Living God,
you have revealed your Son as the Messiah.
May we hear his word and follow it,
and live as children of light.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

many prefer to stand

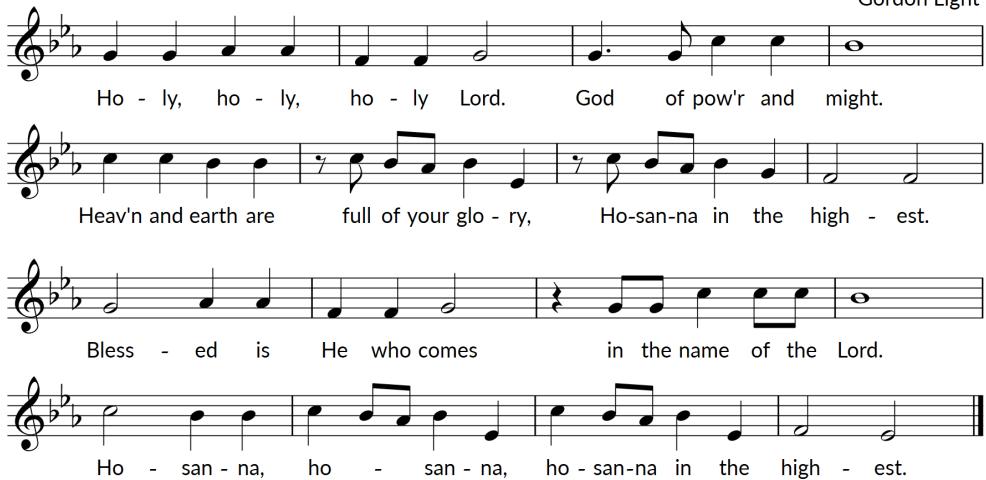
Presider The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider It is indeed right that we should praise you,
gracious God,
for you created all things,
and formed us in your own image.
When we turned away from you in sin,
you did not cease to care for us,
but opened a path of salvation for all people.
You made a covenant with Israel,
and through your servants Abraham and Sarah
gave promise of a blessing to all nations.
Through Moses you led your people
from bondage into freedom;
through the prophets
you renewed your promise of salvation.
Therefore, with them, and with all your saints
who have served you in every age,

we give thanks and raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

All

Gordon Light



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of pow'r and might.
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

Presider Holy God, source of life and goodness,
all creation rightly gives you praise.

In the fullness of time,
you sent your Son Jesus Christ,
to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.
He healed the sick
and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners;
he opened the eyes of the blind
and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom
to the poor and to those in need.
In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, "Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,

he gave it to them,
and said, "Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God, his perfect sacrifice
destroys the power of sin and death;
by raising him to life
you give us life for evermore.

Presider Therefore we proclaim our hope.

All **Dying you destroyed our death,
rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

Presider Recalling his death,
proclaiming his resurrection,
and looking for his coming again in glory,
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.
Send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
and upon us,
that all who eat and drink at this table
may be one body and one holy people,
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

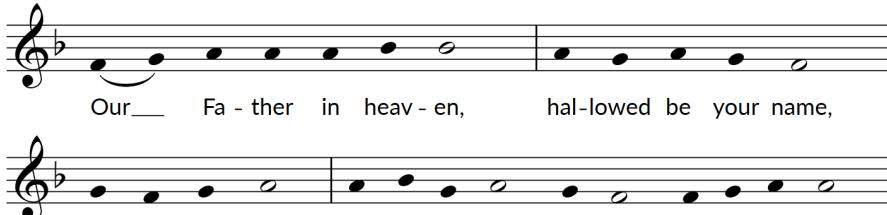
Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Presider As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

All



The musical notation consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. It contains a single measure of notes: a quarter note, a eighth note, and a half note. The second staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat, and a common time signature. It contains a single measure of notes: a eighth note, and a half note. Below the music, the lyrics are written in a two-line format: "Our_ Fa - ther in heav - en, hal-lowed be your name," and "your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en."

Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins
 as we for - give those who sin a - gainst us.
 Save_ us from the time of trial,_ and de-liv - er us from e - vil.
 For the king-dom, the power, and the glo - ry are yours,
 now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.
 Whoever comes to me will never be hungry;
 whoever believes in me will never thirst.
 All Taste and see that the Lord is good;
 happy are they who trust in him.

The Communion

Presider The gifts of God for the People of God.
 People **Thanks be to God.**

All are invited to receive communion, which will be distributed at the communion rail. A reminder that intinction (or dipping the bread into the cup) is considered unsafe, and is thus not permitted. If you have mobility issues you may remain seated and communion will be brought to you.

Prayers for healing with the laying-on-of-hands and anointing may be sought in the Lady Chapel (to the left of the high altar) during Communion. You may ask for prayers for yourself, or for the needs of another. Information shared during these prayers is kept in the strictest confidence.

Presider God of glory,
you nourish us with bread from heaven.
Fill us with your Holy Spirit,
that through us your light may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

Presider Glory to God,
All **whose power working in us**
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine;
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Sending Forth of the Community

The Blessing

Presider And the blessing...**Amen.**

Hymn #270—Lamb of God, to Thee We Raise

Tune: Lübeck / *remain standing*

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

Thank you for being part of this morning's service. Please join us for coffee in the Chapter Room after the service.

The Flowers in the cathedral are placed to the Glory of God and at the High Altar by Karl-Lukas Steiniger on his birthday, in gratitude and appreciation for the support of family and friends and for the grace of God to grow in faith, serve sincerely and become the person God calls him to be. *Ad Maiorem Dei gloriam.*

Sources:

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Common Worship

Readings for Next Sunday (25 January)

Isaiah 9.1-4

Psalm 27.1-5-13

1 Corinthians 1.10-18

1 Peter 1.3-12

Monthly Outreach

The monthly outreach for January is the Victoria Native Friendship Centre. The VNFC is a non-profit Indigenous-led organization located on the traditional lands of the Lekwungen speaking People of the Songhees and Xwsepsum Nations. Since 1969, the VNFC has been mandated to encourage and promote the well-being of urban Indigenous people by strengthening individuals, families, and community. For more information visit their website www.vnfc.ca



Assisting with Today's Liturgy

<i>Sidespersons</i>	Gwyneth Evans, Rose Jual, Brenda Mowbray
<i>Verger</i>	Bob Fearnley
<i>Musicians</i>	The Christ Church Cathedral Guild of Bell Ringers The Parish Choir Donald Hunt, <i>Director of Music</i>
<i>Readers</i>	Gordon Wheatley, Barbara Barton
<i>Deacon</i>	The Reverend Anna E. Rossi
<i>Prayers of the People</i>	Sheila Martindale
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Brenda Mowbray, Heather Frame
<i>Healing Ministry</i>	Frances McLeod, June Sharman
<i>Chancel Guild</i>	Maureen Lundquist, <i>president</i>

THIS WEEK AT THE CATHEDRAL

*The Cathedral is open Monday to Friday from 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.,
Saturdays from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. and Sundays from 7.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.*

Monday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

Tuesday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

Wednesday

9.40 a.m.	School Chapel	<i>Nave</i>
10.00 a.m.	Walking Group	<i>See Website for Location</i>
12.15 p.m.	Holy Communion, said	<i>St Christopher's Chapel</i>
5.00 p.m.	Choral Evensong	<i>Nave</i>

Thursday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>

Friday

8.45 a.m.	Morning Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
5.00 p.m.	Evening Prayer, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
8.30 p.m.	Fever: Candlelight Concert <i>(Ticketed Event)</i>	<i>Nave</i>

Saturday

10.00 a.m.	Walking Group	<i>See Website for Location</i>
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Sunday

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion, said	<i>Lady Chapel</i>
9.15 a.m.	Holy Eucharist	<i>Nave</i>
11.00 a.m.	Choral Eucharist	<i>Nave / Livestreamed</i>
4.00 p.m.	Service of Prayer for Christian Unity	<i>Nave / Livestreamed</i>

**For information on joining or attending, contact the Cathedral Office
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most up-to-date information.*

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